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are given in the statement [a] appended. Before the abolition of taluk boards different rates of tax were in force in different taluks of each district, and in some taluks no tax was levied. A rate of tax uniform throughout the district has been levied in all districts (except Nellore) only from the current year.

(c) Final figures of the proceeds of education-tax in 1934–35 have not yet been reported to Government.

Mr. K. A. Nachiyappa Gounder:—" May I know, Sir, whether fees are levied from pupils in the board schools in areas where education tax is collected? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" In elementary schools maintained by local bodies almost invariably education is free."

Mr. P. V. Krishnayya Choudari:—" In the Kadiri taluk of the Nellore district education-cess is collected. Now that the taluk boards are abolished, are any special facilities given? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" The question of levy throughout the area is under consideration."

Orphanages maintained by foreign missionaries with Government aid.

* 581 *Q.*—Mrs. A. Rukmani Lakshmipathi: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many orphanages are there run by foreign missionaries which get grant from the Government; and

(*b*) whether there are any Indian orphanages under Indian management which get Government grant?

A.—(*a*) One hundred and seventy-seven orphanages managed by foreign missions received grant in 1934–35.

(*b*) Yes.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—" How many Indian Orphanages are there? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" Notice."

B. Pocker Sahib Bahadur:—" May I know, Sir, whether the grants given to Indian Orphanages under Indian management are on the same scale as those given to the orphanages under foreign missionaries? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" It does not depend upon the agency that is running the orphanage."

Diwan Bahadur C. S. Ratnasabhapati Mudaliyar:—" Out of 177 how many are for Indian boys and girls and how many for Europeans? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar:—" I cannot say."

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Mr. C. Ramalinga Reddi :—" May I know if there are rules framed for the grants or whether each grant is considered on what are called the merits of each case? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" There are rules fixing the maximum rate of grant."

Excise

Deputation from Tiyyas to the Commissioner of Excise regarding inadequate representation of the community in the department.

* 582 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether a deputation of Tiyyas waited on the Excise Commissioner at Tellicherry in August last year and represented to him the inadequate number of Tiyyas and Billavas employed as Sub-Inspectors, Assistant Inspectors and Inspectors of Excise; and

(*b*) whether the Government have considered their grievances and taken any action in the matter?

A.—(*a*) The Government have no information.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I know whether any representation was made to Government by these people? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" No."

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I know whether the Hon. Minister would be pleased to call for information from the Excise Commissioner and see what he can do to meet the grievances of these people? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. Kumaraswami Reddiyar :—" I think they should see the Excise Commissioner first."

Appointment of the members of the Scheduled Classes in the Excise department since January 1935.

* 583 *Q.*—Rao Sahib V. Dharmalingam Pillai: Will the Hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state the total number of appointments, both permanent and temporary, in the several cadres in the Excise department filled up from Scheduled Classes from January 1935 up to date on the basis of communal rotation?

A.—Two candidates belonging to the Scheduled Classes have been directly recruited as Inspectors of Excise. The Government have no information as regards the Madras Excise Subordinate Service.